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### **GOVERNOR NAMES GARY SPACKMAN DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES**

(BOISE) – Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter today named **Gary Spackman** director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources, where Spackman has been interim director for the past three years.

Spackman – a 26-year veteran of State government – previously was administrator of the department's Water Management Division, manager of the agency's Western Regional Office, and a hearing officer on contested water rights cases. He became interim director in June 2009 with the resignation of Director David Tuthill.

Spackman, who grew up on a small dairy farm, has a bachelor's degree in agricultural and irrigation engineering from Utah State University and a law degree from Brigham Young University. He is a registered professional civil engineer and practiced law in southeastern Idaho before going to work for the State.

Spackman and his wife Diane live in Eagle. They have three children and one grandchild.

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